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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN MADISON COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (9-12) -- The Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Madison County, according to Madison County Judge Frank Weaver.

The purpose of the project is to resurface approximately 1.3 miles of County Road 20 east of Huntsville. APAC-Central, Inc., of Fayetteville, was awarded the contract at \$171,489.51.

"These improvements will begin at County Road 21 and continue eastward to County Road 22," said Judge Weaver.

The County Road project is funded through the State Aid Road Program established by the legislature and administered by the State Aid Division of the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department. This program provides approximately \$20 million annually from the state motor fuels tax to assist counties with projects of their choosing on the county road system.

Judge Weaver said work could begin on the projects in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in late 2012.

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